



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Hiroyuki OZAWA et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2815**

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Examiner: **Sheila V. Clark**

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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December 29, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2003, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Arguments/Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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